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PRODUCTION OF SAME AND USE OF SAME IN
THE TREATMENT OF HEART DISEASE

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the original Statement (Declaration)
Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) -
Independent Inventor, a photocopy of which was submitted on May
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